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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(MBHB 97-195-P)

In re the Application of:)
Burg et al.) Group Art Unit: 1637
Application No: 09/901,181) Examiner: Kim
Filed: July 9, 2001) Conf. No.: 6516
For: Improved Nucleic Acid Assays)

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:

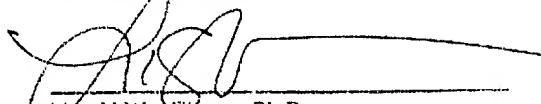
- a) Response;
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2. With respect to fees:

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Respectfully submitted,



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